

REMARKS

Applicants have carefully reviewed the Office Action dated December 12, 2006. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following comments. The claims presently under consideration have been amended to spell out what is referenced by "PPC", as suggested by the Examiner, as well as to more particularly define the invention by requiring that the photosensitive polymerizable composition include a photoiniferter. No new matter has been added, as this limitation is clearly supported in the originally filed application.

Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's apparent rejection of claims 13-15 and 19-22 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as indefinite. The claims have been amended appropriately, thereby rendering the rejection moot. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's rejection of claims 13-15 and 19-22 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as anticipated by Holman et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,258,195. In order to anticipate, the cited reference must disclose each and every claimed element. Holman et al. fail to do so, especially with respect to the amended claims.

In particular, the claimed invention requires that the photosensitive polymerizable composition include a photoiniferter. A photoiniferter permits more controlled polymerization because polymerization only occurs while the composition is exposed to an activating wavelength of light, while, in contrast, a photoinitiator typically causes polymerization to continue beyond a point at which the activating wavelength of light ceases. Holman et al. do not appear to disclose inclusion of a photoiniferter and thus cannot be considered as anticipatory. Moreover, Holman et al. do not suggest the use of a photoiniferter or the potential advantages thereof and therefore cannot be considered as teaching the claimed invention. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

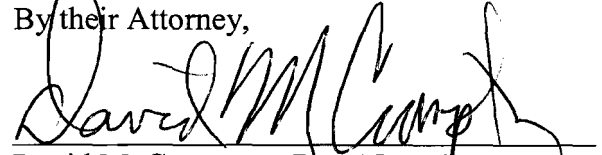
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In view of the amendments and comments presented herein, favorable reconsideration in the form of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. If a phone conference is believed necessary to resolve any outstanding issues with respect to the above discussion, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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By their Attorney,

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